

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4098
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IMPORT OF PULSES
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) the total quantum of pulses imported during each of the last three years;
- (b) the names of the countries from where this import was made; and
- (c) the total amount spent by the Government on the said import?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (S^r KRISHNAM RAJU)

(a),(b)&(c): Import of pulses is under the Open General Licence (OGL)Pulses are imported mainly from Myanmar, Canada, Australia, USA and Indonesia. During the last three years imports were as follows:-

Year Quantity (lakh MTs) Value (Rs. crores)

1999-2000	2.51	354.69
2000-2001	3.50	493.79
2001-2002	21.80	3155.66

The import of pulses on Government account was only during 1999-2000. One lakh MTs valued at Rs. 156.07 crores was imported.